Dear Sir:

Jeff P Koeings

Director Washington Department Fish and Wildlife,

Russ Cahill

Chair Washington Fish and Wildlife,

I would like to pay your department and your people a complement and special compliment to a biologist Scott Rasley. Hunting and fishing is very important to me. I have lived in Montana, Idaho, Alaska, California and now Washington. I have hunted in several countries. Four years ago I moved to Washington and when I tried to understand the Washington regulations, they were more difficult to understand then I was use to. I went to your Spokane regional office and was helped by several knowledgeable professional people. They took the time to explain the regulations to me and help me pick trophy areas. They have been very helpful each time I go into the office. Last year I was blessed with a trophy archery bull tag in the Blue Creek area. I scouted the area and contacted the Walla Walla office. Again I found helpful people who wanted me to have a great safe hunt. In particular a biologist by the name of Scott Rasley. This man was unbelievable; he was the most helpful fish and wild life person I have come across in my many years of hunting and evolvement in the numerous outdoor organizations. He was knowllegble about the game, the landowners, the boundaries and environment. He took personal time to assure that I had a great hunt. He supported the environment and the rich tradition of hunting. When I paid for my hunting license this year it was easy because I new it was going to a an origination that understands that the hunter is an important part of the environment and United States tradition. I have shared my story of your helpful people and high quality of Mr. Rasley with many people. I also am a senior government executive and I understand how important high quality passionate employees are to the public and our mission. Please pass on my thanks to your great employees in the Spokane office and the Walla Walla office especially Mr. Raslev.

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